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DECORATION DAY

The John Watson Morton Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will observe decoration day and the birthday anniversary of Jefferson Davis with a celebration at Kelley Grove next Thursday, June 3.

A splendid program has been prepared for the entertainment of Benton County's veterans of the Southern Confederacy, and good speaking will be a feature of interest. Hon. Dorsey B. Thomas will deliver the address of welcome.

Mrs. A. B. White of Paris, ex-president of the Tennessee division of the U. D. C., has been chosen to present the silk banner, the gift of Capt. John W. Morton. The flag will be received on behalf of the Daughters by the president, Mrs. C. O. Hubbs. W. H. Hooser will read interesting extracts from the history of the fight at Johnsonville, an event that is still vivid in the memory of many of our older citizens.

Dinner will be provided for the old Confederates, and the singing of patriotic Southern songs will again stir the hearts of our brave boys who wore the gray.

After the conferring of Crosses of Honor, the Daughters will march to the cemetery where J. M. Lashlee will deliver an address and the decoration exercises take place.

The program arranged by the Daughters for the day follows:

Roll call.

Prayer.

Song, "Dixie" (new words)

Welcome address, by Hon. Dorsey B. Thomas.

Song, "Maryland, My Maryland."

Extracts from John Watson Morton's History of the Battle of Johnsonville will be read by W. H. Hooser.

Dinner.

"Song, "Old Black Joe."

Presentation of flag, by Mrs. A. B. White of Paris, who will be introduced by Miss Hazel McAuley.

Response, by Mrs. C. O. Hubbs, president of the chapter.

"Song, "Bonnie Blue Flag."

Reading, by Miss Allie B. Combs

Conferring of crosses.

March to cemetery, the Daughters forming in double column.

Song, "Nearer My God to Thee."

U. D. C. ritual.

Address, by J. M. Lashlee.

Decoration of graves. Flowers

will be placed on the graves of departed heroes while the choir renders the memorial ode, "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder."

Lemonade will be served on the ground during the day by Misses Irene Fry, Angie Steele, Era Lee Phillips, Corinne Greer, Vivian Holladay and Ruth Corbitt.

EVENT OF INTEREST.

Circus day!

There is a realm of magic in the phrase for both old and young which needs no explanation.

With the advent of the Haag Shows Sunday morning the small boy turned out in full force and rushed to the railroad yards to witness the unloading with a joy in his heart that caused some of them to forget the dinner hour.

Many of his older brothers joined him at the show grounds in the afternoon, and there was almost a constant stream of humanity to and from town to the railway station until a late hour.

Many of the older ones went in the morning to watch, while order, as at the command of a magician, arose from apparent chaos. There is nothing slow about a circus.

About noon Monday the parade passed around courtsquare. There is nothing clings to popular favor like the circus parade, as was attested by the large number who braved the mud and rain to watch the passing of the Haag pageant.

There is little new about the circus parade, but the time-honored features are always interesting. No man or boy ever tires of seeing the elephants carry their great bulks meekly through the streets, and no one is bored by observing the humps on the camels as they drift by like phantoms.

The lion and tiger and monkey in the gaudy cage never ceases to be an object of curious wonder, and the Shetland ponies always fascinate the child and provokes the exclamation, "Aren't they cute?"

The Haag combination is a very good one, and the exhibition here would have been better if given half a chance. Mud, mud, mud everywhere proved a handicap to the show people and the populace.

Who makes your tailor-made clothes? For the best give us a call. Weatherly & Redick.

UNVEILING EXERCISES.

One of the most impressive ceremonies of the kind ever witnessed in this county was the unveiling of Sovereign Lewis Saunders' monument in Hardin Cemetery, 6 miles southeast of Camden Sunday afternoon by Post oak Camp Woodmen of the World.

Aside from the ritualistic service, which was well carried out, the singing was good, and the large assembly of people, including many from this place, followed the ceremony with interest.

An attractive feature was the reading of the Woodmen poem by Mrs. Blanche Sefried, whose voice is of good tone and power, and her reading made a deep impression. C. N. Frazier, the rising young attorney of this city, delivered one of the most brilliant orations ever heard in Benton County.

Lewis Saunders was a prominent young farmer, and the only loss Post oak Camp has ever sustained in that locality.

PLEASANT RIDGE.

J. P. McKenzie was in Camden last Saturday.

We expect a good time in our decoration here next Sunday.

Justice E. H. Dowdy visited his parents at Manlyville Sunday.

Rain and mud are with us in abundance; too much so in fact.

The little child of J. S. Doty has been sick with flux, but is better at this writing.

Some from this place attended children's day at Crooked Creek and some at Lick Creek Sunday.

Christopher Vanhuss and family and Will Dowdy and family paid us a pleasant call last Sunday and helped out in the singing. Come again.

Weatherly & Redick sell shoes, slippers, sox, shirts, sugar, syrup, suspenders, soda, soda water and many other things; in fact, most anything you want.

CLOSING EXERCISES.

Thursday evening of last week one of the largest audiences that has assembled at Benton Seminary for sometime was present to witness the production of "Rebecca's Triumph," a drama, by the classes in music and expression.

The plot of the play was devoid of tragedy and sentimentalism, all the characters being young ladies. This lent new interest and charm to the audience, and its rendition was exceptionally good.

The entire program, including the drill and musical features, was of a high order, reflecting much credit on Miss Ola McDaniel, piano instructor, and everyone left delighted with the evening's entertainment.

At the graduating exercises on Friday evening the college chapel was again crowded to overflowing with the friends and patrons of the school. The members of the class acquitted themselves with much credit and to the satisfaction of the faculty and their friends.

Diplomas were presented by A. V. Bowles, president of the school board, to Miss Neola Anderson, Herman Bomar, Charles L. Pafford, Roy W. Barnes, Allan H. Robinson, Blake Pafford, Lucas Davis and Miss Robbie Fryer who have completed the course in the eighth grade.

This has been a very successful year in every way for the school. The enrollment has been much larger and the standard of work raised above other years.

It has been the aim of the faculty to do complete justice to the students in a literary, in a moral and in a spiritual sense. The finals delivered by the young men and young ladies were scholarly efforts and breathed the moral and Christian influences which have been a strong feature of the school.

The Benton Seminary is wielding a powerful influence for the cause of education in our county, and Camden is taking a high place as a center of culture and refinement.

The work of the past session reflects great credit on the faculty, and while there will be some changes along this line, the long and prosperous life of the school will continue uninterrupted, and it will be the aim of the faculty and our citizens to maintain even a better school next year.

LITTLE BRANCH.

Farmers are progressing slowly, on account of so much rain.

Miss Madie Nance has returned from a two months visit with her sister at Humboldt.

O. F. Babson will soon finish planting corn. Says he has only about thirty acres to plant yet.

Mrs. W. L. Broome of Humboldt is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. M. A. Nance.

The new church at Crooked Creek has been completed, and the new school house will soon be finished.

There was a good attendance at children's day exercises Sunday at Crooked Creek. The program was good and well carried out, many children taking part. Misses Hattie Pickler, Julia Lindsey, Beulah Parker, Lucy Vester, Enlah and Blanche Lindsey, Alice Wheatley and others contributed to make the occasion a success.

When in doubt, buy your next bill of goods from Weatherly & Redick. Prices and goods right.

MASS CONVENTION

The business men and citizens of Camden having signed a petition urging the Mayor to call a mass meeting at an early date for the purpose of organizing and naming committees to arrange for a carnival here sometime during the approaching summer, Mayor Peeler has issued the following call for a mass convention at the

court house tonight:

In compliance with the foregoing request, I hereby call a mass convention to be held at the court house in Camden Friday night, May 28, 1909, to take such action as may be desired in above matter.

May 24, 1909.

S. L. PEELER,
Mayor.

RUSHING'S CREEK.

Health is very good throughout this locality.

On account of so much rain all farm work is retarded.

T. A. Berry of Camden visited homefolks here Saturday.

Several from this locality went to the show at Camden Monday.

There will be preaching Saturday and Sunday at Shady Grove.

Needed repair work was made last week on the Old Hickory Telephone line.

This community was well represented at the children's day exercises at Baker's Chapel Sunday.

William and Burren Jordan of Sawyers' Mill visited Ernie and Guy Prince Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pafford of Camden spent Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Berry.

Linus Frazier of St. Louis, who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Frazier, departed for the west one day last week. Mr. Frazier is a real estate agent for the Burlington Railway Co., his work being mostly in the Gulf Coast country from Louisiana to Mexico.

HUSTLETOWN.

Justice H. C. Aden of Holladay visited here Sunday.

Miss Ruby Hubbs visited Miss Blanche Utley Sunday.

Mrs. Maggie Shaver visited her daughter, Mrs. Rosa Stepp, near Vale Sunday.

Rev. E. W. Nelson preached an excellent sermon last Sunday at Morris Chapel.

Mr. and Mrs. Vossie Hubbs and daughter, Miss Emma, visited Mrs. C. P. Pierce Sunday.

Quite a number from here went to the Woodmen unveiling at Hardin Cemetery Sunday.

Mrs. Sarah Utley is spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. R. L. Barker, in Camden.

Continual rains have delayed farm work, and if it continues much longer some of our farmers will miss a crop.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Arnold and daughter, Miss Bessie, and Mr. and Mrs. Horner were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harris Davis Sunday.

WHEATLEY.

Carlos and Finley Akers left Monday for Arkansas where they have been at work.

There has been so much rain farmers are almost disheartened over the crop situation.

A great many went from here to the children's day exercises at Crooked Creek Sunday.

Mrs. Arabella Alsop has been spending a few days on Bennett Creek with her daughter, Mrs. Linnie Haley.

The best "hot weather" pants going. See them at Weatherly & Redick's. Better goods at less money.

HOLLADAY.

L. M. Williams and others were in Camden Tuesday.

Wyly Hatley of Green Hill was a visitor here Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Long of Texas visited relatives here last week.

Dida M. Whitfield has been ill again, we regret to learn.

John M. Wood of Hydro was here on business Saturday.

Rev. J. M. Hughes spent a few days in Jackson, returning Saturday.

H. C. Aden attended the Woodmen unveiling at Hardin Cemetery Sunday.

Ben Odle of McIlwain visited his sister, Mrs. J. I. McIlwain, Tuesday.

Mrs. J. R. Holladay has been on the sick list the past week, but is better this week.

A goodly number went to Sugar Tree Sunday to attend the Odd Fellows' funeral service.

Quite a number of our young ladies left Saturday for Camden to attend the normal. Luck to you, girls.

CEDAR GROVE.

Some sickness is reported over the community.

Farmers are busily engaged in planting their crops.

T. H. H. Presson and J. A. Presson visited here Friday.

J. R. Brown and family visited at Camden Saturday and Sunday.

Lewis Jordan and family visited the family of S. N. Wright Friday.

Z. M. Walker and little daughter, Miss Lois, of McNab, Ark., are here on a visit to relatives.

Miss Ollie Presson of Arkansas visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Presson, last week.

A large number from this community attend the memorial day service at Mount Carmel Saturday.

Little Loudye Ruth Nelson, who has been seriously ill at the home of her grandfather, James B. Nance, for the past two weeks, was able to be carried to her home last Friday.

CHASEVILLE.

Miss Meta Hubbs visited Mrs. J. J. Eaves Sunday.

S. N. King and family visited W. C. Hubbs Sunday.

Quite a number of our people went to Camden Monday to see the big show.

J. C. Eaves and E. R. Prince are acknowledged to be the champion fishermen of Chaseville.

We have had plenty of rain for the past few days, but the boys are hustling between showers.

If Jim Camp wants to get sweet on the girls, why that is to be expected; but, girls, look out!

There is a new boy baby at the home of E. R. Prince, who greets his friends with a congenial smile.

When you need work shirts ask for the Volunteer—better goods at less money. Weatherly & Redick.